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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 25 November 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-35 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-35 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

1. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 10/17/05 was received. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

3. Claims 1-35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Willehadson et al. (WO 00/41406).

As to claims 1 and 19, Willehadson et al. teaches a method for setting call between calling users and called users (page 4, lines 4-11 - *calling party and called party*) each associate with at least one personal identifier (page 1, lines 16-19 and *each has its own telephone number*) and each having at least one communication terminal (page 4, lines 8-13), each communication terminal of the calling user being connected to a first communication equipment (page 7, lines 27-29 - *caller users in his terminal phonebook*) and each communication terminal of the caller being connected to a second communication equipment (page 8, line 1 - *user B or called user on his terminal*)

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240) and the combination of these terminals enabling a plurality of modes of communication between these two users (page 5, lines 5-15); this method comprising, in the event of a request to set up a call between a calling user and a called user (page 8, lines 12-15),

exchanging information between the first communication equipment and the second communication equipment prior to setting up a call (page 4, lines 14-32), if the called user accepts the setting up of a call (page 5, lines 5-15):

the second communication equipment determining each terminal of the called user that would enable setting up of the requested call (page 5, lines 9-15);

the second communication equipment then sending the first communication equipment a terminal identifier for each terminal thus determined (page 5, lines 10-15 - *where Willehadson discussed if the matching results in at least one match, called party accept the call, hence the first communication equipment inherently gets terminal identifier of the second communication equipment*; page 8, lines 4-7); and

the first communication equipment then selecting, from the identifiers of the caller user that it receives (page 8, lines 18-20), at least one terminal identifier, if there is a plurality of possible choices, and then initiating the setting up of a call between at least one terminal of the calling user and at least one terminal of the called user corresponding to an identifier that it has selected (page 9, lines 17-18).

Claims 2 and 20 are rejected for the same reasons as discussed above with respect to claim 1. Furthermore, Willehadson et al. teaches communication mode (page 4, lines 14-18 and lines 29-31).

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As to claims 3-4, 13-14, 21-22, and 32-33, Willehadson et al. teaches the first /second communication equipment selects at least one terminal identifier of the called user taking account of predetermined information / information data associated with the calling user (page 8, lines 12-32).

As to claims 5-6, 11-12, 23-24, and 29-31, Willehadson et al. teaches the first / second communication equipment selects at least one terminal identifier of the called user taking account of predetermined information / information data associated with the called user (page 8, lines 12-32).

Claims 7-10, 25-26, and 34-35 are rejected for the same reasons as discussed above with respect to claims 2-4 and 2, 5-6, respectively.

Claims 15-18, and 27-28 are rejected for the same reasons as discussed above with respect to claims 2, 5-6 and 2, 3-4, respectively.

Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Stumm et al. (US Patent 7,197,128) teaches telecommunication architecture.

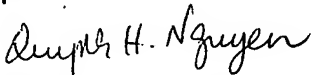
5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Quynh H. Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-7489. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday from 6:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ahmad Matar, can be reached on 571-272-7488. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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